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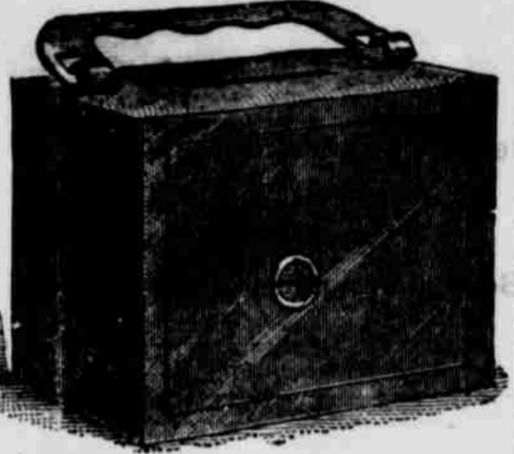
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A FEW SIMPLE RULES FOR SECURING
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The Most Difficult Seams of All to Baste.
Finishing the Waist and Smoothing the
Seams—Putting Bones in the Waist—The
Necessity For Care.

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To insure a perfect fit a lining ought to be tried on again before it is basted to the outside, the seams being left in the second time, and the whole should fit like wax.

After this process it can be basted upon the outside with rather long stitches.

To cut the outside lay one side of the lining on the double fold and baste it all around lightly, but firmly, and then cut it exactly the same size as the lining, with 1/2-inch margin to turn in the front for buttons and buttonholes, and then rip it loose to baste the lining in permanently.

The lines of basting down the middle at the waist line are intended to draw the lining a half an inch fuller than the outside. Where the bust is unusually full a V shaped notch in the lining tapering well out toward the arm size will be of great benefit to the general form, but the outside must be pulled up and down so that it does not show. Sometimes a V is also taken under the arm. These things must be done on the judgment of the dressmaker. The diagram will show how the fullness is to be adjusted. It is really more "fullness" than gathers and is intended to cause the outside to draw a little right there at the waist line where it is so apt to wrinkle, and thus the outside remains smooth and firm.

When the gathering is done, there should be a basting down through that part directly to the center of each piece, and when that is done the basting around each arm set in a sort of overhand stitch that makes a zigzag, and this makes the firmest basting. The lining should be held inside.

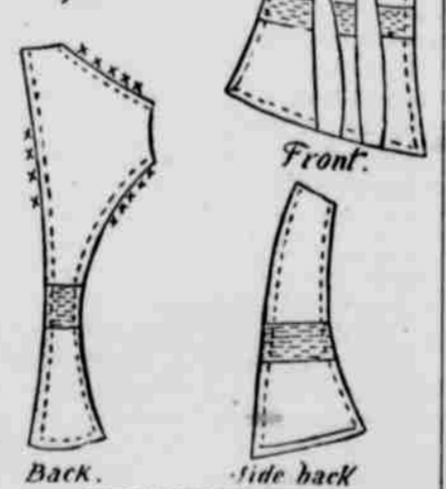
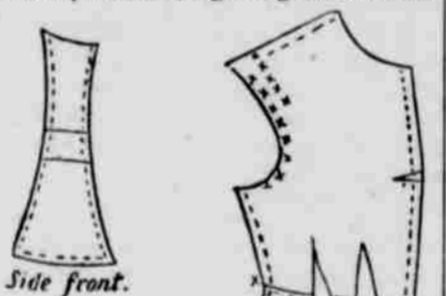
The basting being now sewed around every edge and seam, the different parts can be basted together, and if it is feasible the waist can be tried on again. When the seams are basted together, they should always start from the top, and when they are done they can be stitched up on the machine, great care being taken to sew them on the outside of the basting, as they allow a slack of about two inches.

After the waist is fitted the darts are to be cut out, allowing from one-half to three-quarters of an inch seam, according to the quality of the goods. These seams are sewed, beginning from a tapering point, and then they are laid apart and pressed flat, being neatly trimmed and bound or overcast, and bone casings are run on.

The front side pieces are held a little full under the arm, and if the bust is very full a few gathers can be set in with benefit at the top of this piece.

The top of the under arm and side back pieces are apt to get stretched, which makes a very unpleasant and inartistic bunch that nothing can correct. To prevent this run a basting thread with small stitches close to the upper edge where five x's are marked. The center back pieces must be basted together, holding them perfectly straight and plain. It is a good plan to stick a few pins at intervals to keep them from slipping or stretching. The side back seams are the most difficult of all to baste, and few of the best dressmakers even get them exact. The following rules will insure success:

1. Baste the right side first, starting at the top, holding back opposite the five x's easy, but not full, being careful not to stretch the seam at this point, as it is bias. Always hold the back next to you. 2. The back just above the waist line should be held a little full on the side-back at the same position. Before basting the left side fasten the seams together with pins two inches apart, holding the back toward you and commencing to pin from the top. Take particular care to hold the back and side pieces at the upper marked waist line exactly as you did on the right side; then baste up the seam, beginning at the bottom.



HOW TO CUT THE OUTSIDE.

The under arm seam comes next. Commence at the top and, holding the back toward you, at the upper waist line, lay full on the front, the waist lines meeting. Baste the shoulder seams, holding the back to you and easing the back seam where the five x's are.

When the seams are pressed, all the fullness will disappear. The armholes should be stretched a little around the front, which will prevent wrinkles, but the best dressmakers make a crescent pad of silk or muslin filled with cotton, which fills out the hollow place under the arm.

The row of x's around the front of the armhole shows where it should be stretched, and the second row shows where the sleeve should be gathered. When all this has been done once and verified even to the alteration of any mistakes, the young dressmaker will have laid the foundation of a good workwoman, and unless she is willing to take the pains it is not worth her while to begin.

Write each person's measurement down in the little book, and in that way one can make a gown the second or third time without trying on at all.

To finish the waist the seams must be pressed as soon as the basting stitches are out of those parts that join the pieces of the waist together, and the edges bound or neatly overcast, notches being made in the center to relieve the strain and bone casings run in when desired. Bones make a waist look much smoother, but some do not care to have them. When they are put in, they should have the ends shaved off to make them flexible and holes bored in the center with a hot needle so as to sew them strong.

OLIVE HARPER.

No matter how much religion we possess, all that counts is what we live.

WORE A COAT OF MAIL

THE NOTORIOUS BENSLEY CASE REVIVED IN SAN FRANCISCO.

New Claimant to the Estate Appears—Did Not Know Till Recently His Real Identity—Shameful Life of a Worldwide Adventuress.

John Bensley, who died June 14, 1889, was one of the best known citizens of San Francisco. People regarded him as one of the set of moneyed men, placing him with Mills, Ralston, Friedlander and other multimillionaires.

Time, however, developed that this man, who had been spoken of as "public spirited," enterprising, broad and generous, and who had linked his life with that of a beautiful, cultivated and designing woman, was weak, close fisted, even mean, and neither of the couple appeared to have a code of nice morals or to be possessed of particular scruples.

Facts in the careers of the Bensleys even stranger than fiction were developed in the celebrated Bensley case which occupied the attention of the United States district court for years and which was brought to a judicial termination in December, 1893.

Some time in 1887 or 1888 a Mrs. Greville appeared in California. She said that she was a widow of George Greville, member of parliament, and a daughter of the Earl of Evelin, a Scotch nobleman. She was handsome, fascinating, had traveled much, could speak in several languages and possessed in a rare degree those qualities which fascinate men.

She met John Bensley and beguiled him. Mrs. Greville became Mrs. Bensley. Soon after the marriage the couple went to England. Mrs. Bensley reached London first. She represented to the husband that she had a castle in Scotland and a town house in London—a stately mansion in the west end.

Bensley followed, but instead of finding his bride in a mansion surrounded by noblemen and ladies she was in an ordinary London boarding house. "How is this?" he exclaimed. "Not in the mansion of the Evelins!" Bensley was forgiving, however, and he and the charming widow were married over again at St. George's chapel in London.

Later they returned to San Francisco, and the shrewd and cunning woman mingled with her husband in nearly all his business affairs. For some reason they conveyed considerable property in San Diego to Bertrand G. Chandos. In nearly all communications between Mrs. Bensley and Chandos she appeared as his aunt and he as her nephew. There was no hint of a closer relationship.

In 1877 the trouble came. Although Bensley was supposed to be a very wealthy man, the firm of Linforth, Kellogg & Co., of which he was a member, became financially embarrassed and went into insolvency. The creditors became suspicious, and in the litigation that followed an extraordinary condition of affairs was developed.

It appeared that after the failure Bensley induced the assignees to enter into an agreement with him to release his individual property and for the discharge of all his debts. Bensley, having secured control of his own property, immediately proceeded to make the fulfillment of his agreement an impossibility by fraudulently conveying all his estate to his wife and securing himself from his creditors by going to sea. Place by place his real estate was transferred to mysterious relatives of his wife and by them deeded back to her.

For 12 years this remarkable woman, who was popularly supposed to wear a coat of chain mail, withstood the questions of able counsel and never gave a clue as to how the property once owned by her husband had been secreted. The litigation was still pending at the time of her death, she surviving her husband by only six months.

Another chapter was added to the remarkable story of the Bensley estate recently by the filing of a suit by Edward A. Macmahon, who claims to be the natural son of Mrs. Bensley and her lawful heir, against B. G. Chandos and others to whom the estate was recently distributed by an order of the probate court.

It is claimed that since the death of Mrs. John Bensley some most extraordinary facts have been discovered as to her romantic career prior to her marriage with Bensley. The adventuress who claimed to be the widow of Lord Greville and related to the noble house of Evelin was one of eight children born to John and Mary Ingles in Virginia. She was married three times. Soon after marrying her first husband she left him, and he obtained a divorce on the ground of willful desertion.

She was thought by her relatives to be dead, but later on was heard from in England under various names, among them Mary L. Chandos and Lou Guise. In 1865 she married Edward A. Greville, but seemed to have no better fortune than with her first husband, for they soon quarreled and separated. She then came to this country and gave birth, in the state of Virginia, to the plaintiff in the action. She left the boy with her mother and gave out that he was dead. The object of this was to deceive the father of the child, who came to this country to search for him, and becoming disheartened left for parts unknown. To make the deception more perfect she changed the boy's name to Macmahon.

After Greville disappeared Mrs. Greville went to California and married Bensley. After this marriage she had the boy brought to her in California. She paid for his support and also for his education. He attended a school in San Mateo and afterward went to the university at Berkeley. To some of the teachers in these schools the boy was known as Mrs. Bensley's son.

B. G. Chandos, who appeared in the case of the litigating creditors of Bensley as having had some property in San Diego deeded to him by Bensley, which he afterward transferred to Mrs. Bensley, is one of the defendants in the action. It is said that his real name is Zachariah Ingles, and that he is a brother of the dead woman. After her death he went to California, representing that he and his three sisters were the sole heirs to her estate. By his representation and alleged fraud it is claimed that he had the estate of Mrs. Bensley distributed to himself and his three sisters.

To add to the many mysterious characters and sham existences in the romance of the Bensley estate, it is said that the real name of Mrs. Bensley's second husband and father of the claimant was not Greville, but Glething. While changing the boy's last name she gave him the first two names of his father.

The newly discovered heir is 29 years old, married and lives with his family in the east. He did not discover his identity until after his mother's death.—San Francisco Chronicle

No matter who has the floor, self conceit will always find a way to speak.

A HYPNOTIC MESSIAH.

How Schweinfurth, the Self Styled Christ, Maintains His Power.

The recent trial of George Jacob Schweinfurth, the self styled Messiah, for alienating the affections of Mrs. George W. Coudrey excited a good deal of interest in northern Illinois and had many amusing incidents. One of them was the reading by Judge Longenecker, for the prosecution, of the following letter from Schweinfurth to Mrs. Coudrey:

Mrs. Coudrey:
MY BLESSED CHILD—Peace be unto thee. Fear not. Be strong. I am with thee. Thou art remembered before my Father which is in heaven. His blessing is granted to thee. I am looking upon thee in truth. Loving kindness and I am bearing thee up in thy day of patient enduring. Our God is doing what pleases him, and we are commanded to be still and acknowledge that he is God, and that he will be exalted in the earth. He will be exalted among the heathen. And surely the Lord of Hosts is with us. The God of Jacob is our refuge. He



G. J. SCHWEINFURTH. G. W. COUDREY.

has covered over his head in the day of battle, and we will evermore praise him, as our great deliverer. Holy is his name. Bring forth the timbrel and harp and play skillfully our psalm of thanksgiving. Tune your stringed instrument to the twenty-second chapter of II Samuel.

May God bless you and make you to triumph gloriously. Amen. Since your strength is limited it may be necessary to hire a man to respond to the needs of Mr. Coudrey. While I desire that your cure of him be near faultless as it well can be, I would not have you sacrifice yourself. You see that he is properly attended without doing the running yourself. Peace be upon your house. Lovingly and tenderly,
YOUR FATHER.

Schweinfurth made no defense, as he said it would derogate from his dignity to combat the machinations of men, and the jury returned a verdict awarding \$50,000 damages to the plaintiff. Schweinfurth has considerable property at his "heaven" near Rockford, which has been contributed by sundry victims whom he dominates by hypnotic power. One of these, Lynn Grandy, who recently left the "heaven," says he believes Schweinfurth is gifted with hypnotic power. He has the inmates of the place completely at his mercy, and, Grandy says, they will do anything Schweinfurth tells them, even to taking their own lives.

Since the trial Mrs. Coudrey has begun suit for divorce.

Jaw Dislocated by a Yawn.

Awakened from a sound night's sleep recently, Miss Cornelia Hall of Stoughtonville, O., dislocated her jawbone. Her mouth was stretched wide open, and try as hard as she could she could not close it. The young woman suffered excruciating pain and almost went into spasms. Two physicians were summoned, and together they went to work to replace the jawbone in its proper place. To do this they had to pry the bone down at a point behind the ears, and it was fully two hours before the operation could be performed and the bone pushed to its proper place. After working for some time the bone was finally replaced, and the young lady was enabled to close her mouth.



Tired, Weak, Nervous Could Not Sleep.

Prof. L. D. Edwards, of Preston, Idaho, says: "I was all run down, weak, nervous and irritable through overwork. I suffered from brain fatigue, mental depression, etc. I became so weak and nervous that I could not sleep. I would arise tired, discouraged and blue. I began taking

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